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SUMMARY: DR. GEMMA REPORTED ON THE FIRST FOLLOWUP MEETING OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROJECT HELD IN BALTIMORE, MD, MAY 10-12, 1976. A DETAILED PRESENTATION WAS MADE ON A SIMULATED HARBOR DISASTER EXERCISE THAT WAS STAGED TO TEST THE DISASTER CAPABILITY OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE AND THE MARYLAND PORT AUTHORITY. THE SECOND FOLLOW-UP MEETING TO BE HELD IN MONTPELLIER, FRANCE IN SEPTEMBER 1977 WAS ALSO ANNOUNCED. END SUMMARY.

1. A SLIDE PRESENTATION WAS MADE BY DR. GEMMA CONCERNING THE BALTIMORE SIMULATED INNER-HARBOR DISASTER EXERCISE. THIS DEMONSTRATION CENTERED AROUND AN EXPLOSION ABOARD A SHIP IN THE HARBOR WHICH THREW SIX CREWMEMBERS INTO THE WATER, AND CAUSED AN IMPACT FROM THE BLAST RESULTING IN SIMULATED DEATH OR SEVERE INJURY TO NEARLY 400 PERSONS ALONG THE PIERS AND IN UNCLASSIFIED

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THE WATER. THE EXERCISE CAUSED THE BALTIMORE CITY DISASTER PLAN TO BE IMPLEMENTED AND ALL EMERGENCY SERVICES TO BE MOBILIZED. VARIOUS RESCUE TECHNIQUES WERE DEMONSTRATED FOR HANDLING MORE CASUALTIES AS WELL AS TESTING EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AND AIR AND GROUND AMBU-

LANCE SERVICES. THE UPDATED DISASTER PLAN FOR THE CITY OF BALTIMORE RESULTING FROM THE EXERCISE WILL BE CIRCULATED TO ALL ALLIED COUNTRIES AS SOON AS IT IS COMPLETED.

2. THE SECOND FOLLOW-UP MEETING OF THE EMS PROJECT WILL TAKE PLACE IN MONTPELLIER, FRANCE, SEPTEMBER 26-28, 1977. EACH COUNTRY WILL BE ASKED TO PRESENT AN UPDATE ON THEIR EMS PROGRAMS AND TO DISCUSS CONTEMPLATED ACTIVITIES. THE AGENDA WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS MECHANISMS TO INSURE PROPER FLOW OF INFORMATION TO AND FROM INTERESTED GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIALS. FINALLY, THE CONFERENCE WILL SET THE STAGE FOR ANY FURTHER EMS ACTIVITIES THAT MAY BE RECOMMENDED ON A BILATERAL OR MULTILATERAL BASIS. STREATOR

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